

IN THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Previously Presented) A sled system for mounting a shift assembly to a vehicle comprising:

a sled having a predetermined configuration, said sled being adapted to fit onto a vehicle floor pan, said sled including a first opening for accepting a shift lever assembly;

said shift lever assembly disposed within said first opening, said sled including a second opening for accepting a brake lever assembly;

said brake lever assembly disposed within said second opening;

a plurality of fasteners for mounting said shift lever assembly and said brake lever assembly to said sled; and

a console mounted to said sled.

2. (Original) The sled system according to claim 1 wherein said shift lever assembly is an automatic transmission shift lever assembly.

3. (Original) The sled system according to claim 1 wherein said shift lever assembly is a manual transmission shift lever assembly.

4. (Original) The sled system according to claim 1 wherein said sled includes a

third opening including a transfer case shift lever assembly disposed in said third opening.

5. (Original) The sled system according to claim 1 further comprising a console mounting bracket fixedly attached to said sled.

6. (Original) The sled system according to claim 5 further comprising a console member mounted to said console mounting bracket.

7. (Original) The sled system according to claim 1 further comprising an instrument panel mounting bracket mounted to said sled.

8. (Original) The sled system according to claim 1 wherein said sled system is assembled as a module.

9. (Previously Presented) A sled system comprising:

- a sled having a predetermined configuration, said configuration being designed to mate with a floor pan of a vehicle;
- a first opening defined by said sled, said first opening being configured to accept a gear shift assembly;
- a second opening defined by said sled, said second opening being configured to accept a parking brake lever assembly;
- a plurality fasteners adapted to affix said parking brake lever assembly and said gear shift assembly to said sled; and

a console mounted to said sled.

10. (Previously Presented) The sled system according to Claim 9 further comprising a console mounting bracket mounted to said sled.

11. (Original) The sled system according to claim 6 further comprising an instrument panel mounting bracket mounted to said sled.

12. (Original) A sled system comprising:

a shaped sled adapted for mounting onto a floor pan of a motor vehicle, said shaped sled having first, second and third openings, said first opening being adapted to receive a gear shift assembly, said second opening being adapted to receive a parking brake hand lever assembly and said third opening being adapted to receive a transfer case shifter assembly, said shaped sled including mounting holes utilized to mount said shaped sled to said motor vehicle floor pan.

13. (Original) The sled system according to claim 12 further comprising an instrument panel mounting bracket and a console mounting bracket fixedly attached to said sled.